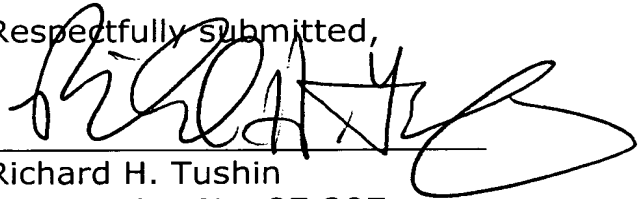


R E M A R K S

By this Amendment claims 22, 26, 27 and 30 have been canceled, leaving only allowed claims 28, 29, 31, 33 and 34 pending. As such, a prompt passage to issuance is in order.

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